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All officials listed below enjoy the rank of Minister and are regarded as members of the President's cabinet. Those identified as "senior" members and "private staff/senior advisors to the President" participate regularly in cabinet meetings with the President. Directors of Executive Secretariats, while afforded the rank of Minister, are generally regarded as "second-tier" ministers and will usually attend only those cabinet meetings convened by the President relating to their area of responsibilities. The list of cabinet members below reflects the latest changes President Duarte made on 8/21 (see reftel).

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| Nicanor Duarte Frutos | President |
| Luis Alberto Castiglioni Soria | Vice-President |
| Private Staff/Senior Advisors to the President | |
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| Carlos Augusto Liseras Osorio Chief of the Civilian Cabinet | Secretary General/ |
| Carlos Maria Santacruz Sosa the President | Private Secretary to |
| General Bernardino Soto Estigarribia Military Cabinet to | Chief of the the President |
| Carlos Walde Advisor | Minister, Economic |
| Angel Ramon Sosa Britez Legal Advisor | Minister, |
| Oscar German Latorre Canete Security Advisor | Minister, |
| Senior Members of Cabinet | |
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| Rogelio Bentez Vargas | Minister of the Interior |
| Rubn Daro Ramirez Lezcano Relations | Minister of Foreign |
| Ernst Ferdinand Bergen Schmit Finance | Minister of |
| Blanca Ovelar de Duarte Education and Culture | Minister of |
| Ricardo Garay Arg ello | Minister of |

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| Agriculture and Livestock Pnfilo Bentez Estigarribi Works and Communication | Minister of Public |
| Roberto Eudez Gonzlez Segovia | Minister of Defense |
| Oscar Martnez Doldan | Minister of Health |
| Derlis Alcides Cspedes Aguilera and Labor | Minister of Justice |
| Jos Mara Ibez Industry and Commerce | Minister of |
| Executive Secretariats ----- | |
| Miguelina Gomez de Martinez | Minister and Executive Secretary, Technical Planning |
| Secretariat for Economic and Social Development | |
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| Mara Jos Argaa de Mateu Secretariat | Minister, Women's |
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| Liz Rosanna Crmer Campos | Minister, National Tourism Secretariat |
| Hugo Castor Ibarra Escobar Secretariat (SENAD) | Minister, Anti-Drug |
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| Judith Andraschko | Minister, Secretariat for Social Action |
| Alfredo Silvio Molinas Maldonado Secretariat for the Environment | Minister, Executive |
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| Carlos Miguel Goibur Secretariat of Public Function | Minister, Executive |
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| Victorina Espinola de Ruiz Diaz | Minister, Executive Secretariat of Children Minister, Executive |
| Nicasia Maldonado Viuda de Solaeche Secretariat for Repatriation and Refugees | |
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| Arstides Gonzlez Executive Secretariat for Nacional Emergencias | Minister, |
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| Federico Frutos Sports Directorate Cason | Minister, General |